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| First Named Inventor | Colin Patterson |
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| Application Number | 09/000,477 |
| Filing Date | January 30, 1998 |
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SURFBOARD OR SAILBOARD AND METHOD FOR THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF

(Title of the invention)

the specification of which

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Docket Number (Optional)

30605

Applicant or Patentee: Colin Patterson
 Application or Patent No.: 09/000,477
 Filed or Issued: January 30, 1998
 Title: SURFBOARD OR SAILBOARD AND METHOD FOR THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF

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- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
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☐ the patent identified above.

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Applicant or Patentee: Colin Patterson

Application or Patent No.: 09/000,477

Filed or Issued: January 30, 1998

SURFBOARD OR SAILBOARD AND METHOD FOR

Title: THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF

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